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Mr. Steve Lester
Idaho Department of Water Resources – Western Region
2735 Airport Way
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Re:

Idaho Water Company - Brown/Preston Transfer #73811

Project No. 894-01-2006

Dear Steve:

Application for transfer no. 73811 was originally submitted by Idaho Water Company in behalf of Shekinah Industries to IDWR on December 7, 2006. A revised transfer application was submitted to IDWR in September 2008, which narrowed the scope of the proposed transfer. On October 16, 2008, IDWR issued a letter acknowledging receipt of the revised transfer. Further correspondence from IDWR dated November 5, 2008 requested additional information to support the proposed transfer. An extended deadline of December 31, 2009 was established for the additional requested information.

Reviewing the information requested by IDWR, it was determined that a numerical groundwater model was necessary to adequately address the requested additional information. Shekinah Industries agreed to have a suitable model developed for the purposes of evaluating the proposed water right transfer. Shekinah Industries retained Brockway Engineering to develop an appropriate model that addresses the department's questions. I have enclosed with this letter a copy of the report outlining the development of the groundwater model and evaluation of the proposed transfer.

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Upon receipt of this report, please contact me to arrange a meeting with you and the appropriate State IDWR staff to discuss questions and impacts of the groundwater model.

Sincerely,

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enclosed

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